

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Title: SENSING APPARATUS AND METHOD

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Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

This application claims priority to International Patent Application No. PCT/GB2003/004457 filed on 10/15/2003, which claims priority to Great Britain Patent Application No. 0224100.8 filed on 10/16/2002.

Please amend the **Abstract** as follows:

Please insert the abstract printed on the front of published PCT application PCT/GB2003/004457 as the last page of the application.